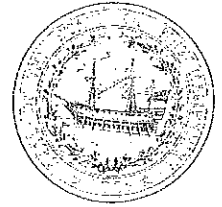




The State of New Hampshire
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner



December 28, 2007

Mr. William H. Smagula, P.E.
Director -- PSNH Generation
Public Service of New Hampshire
P.O. Box 330
Manchester, NH 03105-0330

Re: Request for Additional Information Regarding Baseline Mercury Input

Dear Mr. Smagula:

Pursuant to RSA 125-O:14, III(a), on September 7, 2007, Public Service of New Hampshire ("PSNH") submitted to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services ("DES") a baseline mercury input report for verification and approval. After reviewing this report along with the PSNH letter of January 6, 2007 (baseline testing plan) regarding "coal traditionally used", DES has found inconsistencies between the data submitted and records on file regarding coal sulfur/mercury content and coal usage. Accordingly, before approving the report, I am requesting that PSNH submit date-specific information for the type and quantity of coal burned on a unit by unit basis for each of the affected units at Merrimack and Schiller Stations for the period 1995 through 2005.

Thank you for promptly meeting this data request. If you would like to discuss these issues further, please contact me or my staff at 271-1380.

Sincerely,

Robert R. Scott
Director
Air Resources Division

Cc: Pam Monroe, DES
Mike Fitzgerald, DES
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